

# Lloyd Dyer asphalt proposal pushed to fall budget talks

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The proposal to lay an asphalt surface at Lloyd Dyer Park where the ice rink lies in the winter has been delayed until budget deliberations in the fall.

Gary Martin, chair of the 10-member Eramosa Parks, Recreation and Culture committee, said

on Monday that while six of the members who attended a meeting on Thursday to discuss the matter are in agreement it is a good project, nothing to speed up the process can be done until the fall.

"We've got some maintenance problems that have been neglected, so they will take priority now before any new projects," Martin

said. "The asphalt surface will be put on the list of other projects up for discussion."

Martin went on to say that his committee has reviewed the Rockwood Citizens' Advisory Committee request and encouraged that group to find additional support from community groups over the next few months.

"I recently spoke to Guelph Parks and Recreation who have done similar projects and was encouraged by their findings," explained Martin.

Three weeks ago, he reported that the estimated cost of paving the 180' x 90' area to be between \$5,000 and \$7,000. On Monday, Martin said there are no single

projects in this year's budget that are that ambitious cost-wise.


"We have to stay within our budget," said second-year member Erik Stern on Friday. "So far, we haven't found anything to cut out (to allow the asphalt project).

"We know there's a lot of interest in the project, but we want to be responsible, too."

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# New clubhouse for Rockmosa Tennis Club

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Among their tennis brethren, they're known as The Friendly Club.

And now the Rockmosa Tennis Club can also be referred to as The Warm Club, if for no other reason than the fact they can keep their members and guests comfortable inside a new 16-foot by 32-foot clubhouse at the north end of the courts at Rockmosa.

After two years negotiating with Eramosa Parks and Recreation, the project — which sources say cost \$20,000, of which the Township paid 50 per cent — was approved in the spring of 1994 with construction commencing last November.

All that remains to be done now is the inside cocking, painting and priming.

"It's a little home on our tennis courts," beams Linda Duncan, who does advertising for the Club. "We used to have to sit in the dirt and dust of the traffic coming into Rockmosa, but now we can sit away from the bugs and organize events better.

"And the social aspect has been minimal, so now we intend to have barbecues, pot-luck dinners and round-robin tournaments."

The clubhouse, equipped with kitchen facilities and a wheelchair accessible washroom, will mainly be used for organizing tournaments and entertaining out-of-town tennis guests.

Duncan and Club president Jane Isbrucker extend a special thank you to Guelph businessman and

club member Tom Lammer, who co-ordinated the professional side (roofing, siding, electrical work and building supplies) of the clubhouse construction.

In addition, about 25 volunteers, including Harold Seville, John Kneitl, Bob Bruce, Orville Heide-man and new member Jim Graham put in countless hours to make the clubhouse a reality.

Initially, Isbrucker says, the purchase of a used portable was considered, but costs for renovation and hauling it to Rockmosa would have exceeded the cost of a new building.

The site of a new clubhouse certainly won't hurt the chances of attracting new members to the local tennis club, which already boasts 158 members, up from 142 last year.

Conversely, membership at the Erin Tennis Club is reportedly down 20 per cent.

"We have a great executive and we're friendly," Isbrucker explains of the membership increase. "There are a lot of new members in the community, we have good programs and now a new clubhouse.

"There's a great upswing in doing things with the family, and you can play this sport with all ages."

Monday evenings are for beginners and new Rockmosa Tennis Club members. Tuesday and Thursday mornings are busy, as are Wednesdays and Thursdays and Fridays are devoted to mixed doubles round-robin events.

Next month, the John DeGroot

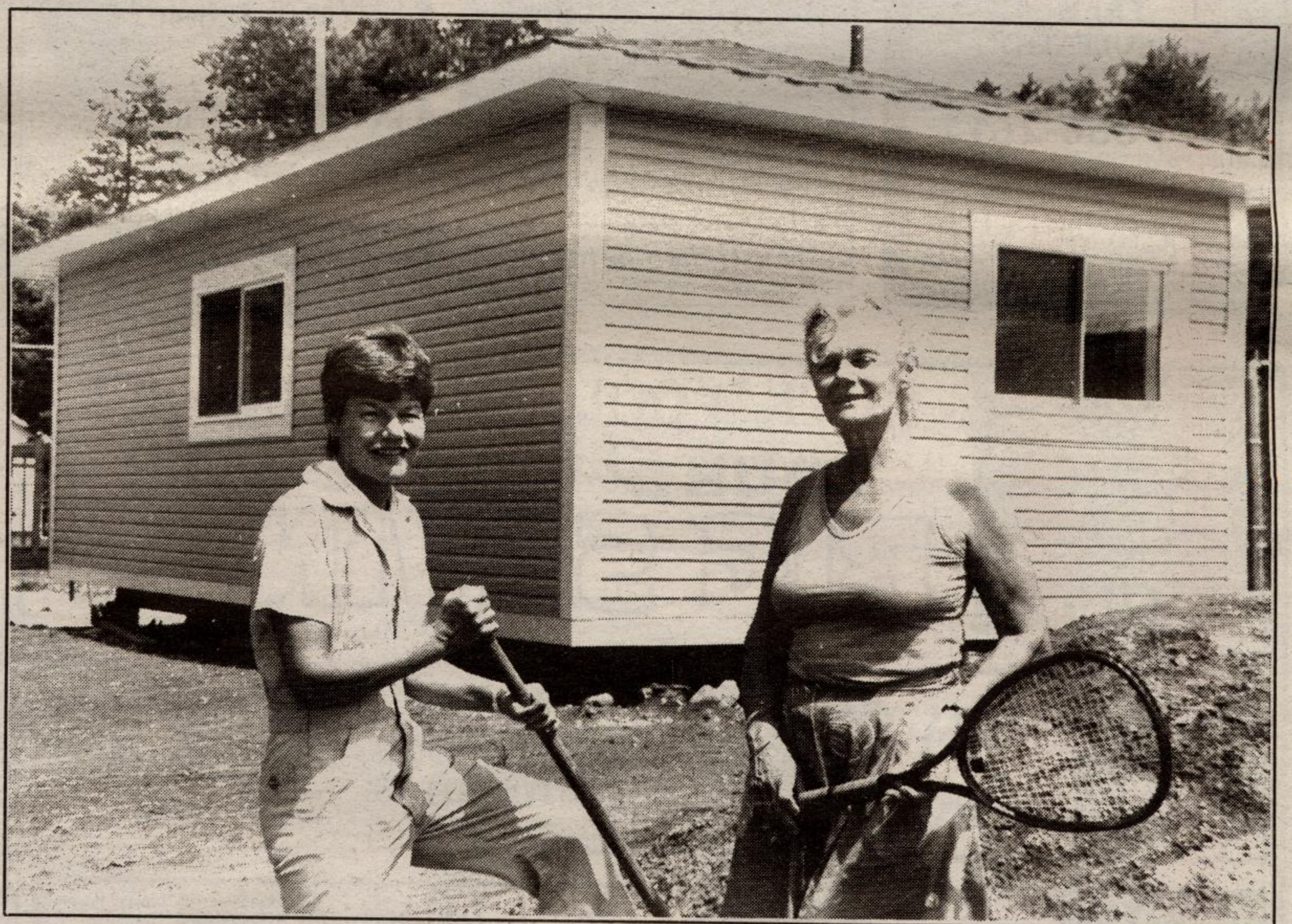
Open tourney will be held.

For membership information, drop by the clubhouse, advised Duncan.

The 1995 Rockmosa Tennis

Club executive: Jane Isbrucker, president; Dave Gatner, vice-president; Nonie Smart, secretary; Frank Kimantas, treasurer; John Knightl, membership, Gord Cor-

coran, maintenance; Cathy Mazer and Ray Lumsden, Junior volunteer teachers; Linda Duncan, advertising; and Harold Seville, adult lessons.



**NEW CLUBHOUSE!** Rockmosa Tennis Club executive member Linda Duncan, left, and president Jane Isbrucker show off the Club's new 16' x 32' clubhouse. The impressive structure will mainly be used for organizing tournaments and entertaining out-of-town tennis guests. (Doug Harrison photo)

## ROM's bat exhibit at Guelph Museum

The Royal Ontario Museum's travelling exhibit "Listen to the Night: Bats in Ontario" is continuing a successful showing at the Guelph Civic Museum.

Guelph Museums is the first venue to receive the ROM's newest travelling exhibit, which leaves on Sept. 4.

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